



# NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the Federal Bureau of Investigation announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

Anthony Bassette, age 36 of Winnebago, Nebraska, was sentenced on October 29, 2010, in the United States District Court for Assault with a Dangerous Weapon. The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon sentenced Bassette to 46 months in prison. After his release from prison Bassette will begin a three year term of supervised release.

On February 15, 2010, the Winnebago Police Department responded to a request for assistance at a Winnebago residence. Bassette's girlfriend had asked that Bassette be removed from her home. Bassette was asked to leave and offered a ride to his father's home. After he was taken from the residence Bassette produced a knife, raised it above his shoulder and came toward the officer. The officer disarmed Bassette. As Bassette was placed in the patrol car he kicked the officer in the chest.

**Name of Defendant:** Anthony Bassette

**AKA:**

**Age:** 36

**City of residence:** Winnebago, NE

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty:** Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, imprisonment of up to 10 years, a fine of \$250,000.00, not more than three (3) years, and a \$100 special assessment.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** Winnebago

**Location of Arrest:** Winnebago

**Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:**

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:** NA

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** February 15, 2010

**Federal Arrest Date:** March 30, 2010

**Date Complaint Issued:** N/A

**Indictment Returned Date:** March 17, 2010

**Initial Appearance Date:** March 30, 2010

**Plea or Trial and Date(s):** Plea of guilty on July 20, 2010

**Sentencing Date:** October 29, 2010

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** N/A

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** F. A. Gossett

**Held without Bond, or Released from Custody:** Held without Bond

**In Continuous Custody Since:** March 30, 2010

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Joseph F. Bataillon

**Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release:** MPN